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THE DATES—April 2, 3 and 4

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Regular Meeting

New Bern Lodge of Perfection No. 6

Monday Night, March 11, 1968

8:00 P. M.

Election of Officers —
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Bagpipe Skirls

Dear Brethren,

Mark Twain is supposed to have said, "Everyone talks about the weather but no one does anything about it." If we could, I expect a lot of people would have done something about it during these last few cold months. Now—another gives his view on the situation. He says, don't swear at the weather. Ninety per cent of the people couldn't start a conversation if it didn't change once in a while." How true! The same for the next item.

TWO WALKS

Last week I walked a certain street
And met some gloomy folks.
I made great haste to pass them by,
And neither smiled or spoke.
The giant elms drooped sullenly,
The very sun was dim.
I met a friend and said, "I hope —
I've seen the last of him."
Today I walked that very street
And loved the folks I met.
If business had not made me leave
I would be talking yet.
Of course, you've solved the mystery
The day I met the gloomy folks,
The gloom was inside me.

Society may make some small men great, but it never makes great men small.

An honest confession might be good for the soul, but it can play havoc with the reputation.

John: I know now what they mean when they say, "contented as a cow".

Jack: You do? Why do you think a cow is content?

John: It must be — standing around in all that expensive meat.

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"Doc, why did you choose to be a skin specialist?"

"Because my patients never get me out of bed at night, they never die, and they never get well."

To reply to a nasty remark with a nasty remark is like trying to remove dirt with mud.

What a good thing Adam had. When he said a thing he knew nobody had said it before.

Little Boy: "What does PTA mean? Mom talks about it."

Second little boy: "I'm not sure, but I think it means Poor Tired Adults."

There are two kinds of gratitude: The sudden kind we feel for what we receive the larger kind we feel for what we give.

"How does it feel to live to be 100?" the reported asked the old man.

"Pretty good," was the reply, "considering the choice."

Time wrinkles the skin; but lack of enthusiasm wrinkles the soul.

Now, Brethren, get ready for Spring. It's just got to come — sooner or later. In the meantime, here's a thought to go on for the month —

The man who has a thousand friends
Has not a friend to spare:
But he who has an enemy
Will meet him everywhere.

Paul Stevens
Your piper,

APPRECIATION NIGHT

Once again the Scottish Rite Bodies are having an Appreciation Night honoring the Court of Honour, Ambassadors, Club Presidents and all others connected with the Reunion Operations such as degree team members, robing room, stage crew, music and dining room assistants. The wives of all valuable workers are also invited.

The program will begin promptly at 5:00 o'clock in the auditorium of the Scottish Rite Temple on Sunday afternoon, March 17th. The program once again will feature the Easter theme. Following this there will be a banquet in the C. A. Seifert Banquet Hall at 6:00 o'clock with a very short program. This should enable all those attending to reach their homes at a reasonable hour that evening.

SECRETARY'S PAGE

R. L. Pugh, 33°

Dear Brethren:

By the time this issue is released we will be approaching a period of our most intensive activity in preparation for our next Reunion. A number of banquets or ladies' night parties have been scheduled and extra efforts are being made to attract as many prospects to these parties as possible. It is to be hoped that the leaders in each of the areas where a banquet is to be held will realize the wisdom of contacting these prospects. In order that we might present to them some of the convincing and conclusive reasons for their taking the beautiful degrees of the Scottish Rite during our forthcoming Reunion, April 2, 3 and 4, they must be present.

Too much stress cannot be placed upon the importance of having these prospects present. After all, they are one of the primary reasons for the existence of the banquet idea.

The Executive Committee has made a change in the customary procedure of naming the Reunion Class at this time. Heretofore, as you recall, the classes have been named for some deceased Master or Masters of the Royal Secret. In the approaching Reunion, however, the committee felt that with the emphasis which the Grand Commander and the Sovereign Grand Inspector General in North Carolina are placing on "Americanism" that the Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of New Bern must follow suit and emphasize this important aspect of our national life in every way possible. This change is being brought to your attention in a special announcement in another section of the BAGPIPE and we are repeating it here only for reasons of emphasis.

Interest and enthusiasm in the work of the Scottish Rite is increasing. You have been informed of the creation of a new Scottish Rite Club on Hatteras Island. We are now happy to inform you that still another club is in process of birth and by the time you read this it probably will have become an actuality. Scottish Rite Masons in the area of Manteo have signified their intention or organizing a club also. We look forward with interest to encouraging reports of their progress. Surely it is a wholesome sign to see this upsurge of enthusiasm.

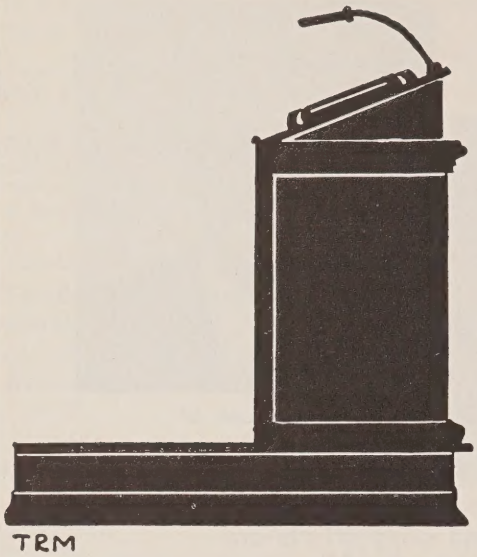
Our next Reunion is just around the corner and efforts to secure candidates for the Reunion must be redoubled if we are to come up with a class worthy of the name of "Americanism". If we can assist you in approaching any prospects, please let us know.

Don't fail to look at the picture in this issue featuring the "Babies" — you might well use it in approaching prospects.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

R. L. Pugh

Robert L. Pugh, 33°, Secretary



From The Classroom

BY EDWARD P. BLAIR, 33° CLASS LECTURER

THE LURE OF SCOTTISH MASONRY

So many times I hear Scottish Rite Masons, after a Reunion, make the statement, "If people could only live according to the principles of this stuff, the world would be a better place in which to stay." Scottish Masonry is referred to as an impossible Philosophy, for men to aspire to. It is true that our principles are lofty. Our ideals are among the greatest and the tenets of our order are seemingly just beyond the reach of our brethren.

Jesus, the Galilean, if you recall, challenged men and women with unattainable goals, and the lure of the impossible. Really, it would have never done for the very ultimate of our faith, our ideals, and our religion to be cheap, easily obtainable, and clearly within reach of all men. What is Heaven for anyway? It would have never done for the highest and best in Masonry to be so easy to come by.

I say to you, my brethren, Scottish Masonry is in the same category. It must assuredly seem to all of us that our principles and our goals are just beyond our reach. Albert Pike knew that the character of real men is judged more by the things we reach for, and that we really strive for, than the things that are within our reach.

I grant you, this is not the philosophy of our times. We are told on every hand to adjust to circumstances, we are advised to get along as painlessly as possible, we are urged to be human, and to accept the facts of life, and not to hold out for anything foolish, for high ideals, or to try for the impossible.

It is interesting to note in the lives of the truly great Masons of the past, their ideals always seemed to escape them. Our feeble efforts at living on the very highest peak of Scottish Masonry seem so poor when compared with those whom we read and study about. But it must be that way. It would be tragic indeed to have the very ultimate of our order, our underlying principles clearly and easily within the grasp of all men who profess to be Masons, and that wear our pins.

I say to you, that Scottish Masonry tells us that the human soul is a pathetic soul, that never reaches out for some distant horizon; that is never moved to its depths by some sublime concern for others and that never stretches itself in some sublime stream of living. It is not the high roads of Scottish Masonry that defeats us, instead it is the lure of the high road that keeps us moving in the right direction.

The amazing thing about it all is how we as humans seem to give up our spiritual absolutes, and cast aside the noble tenets of Scottish Masonry as impossible, when in every other field of human endeavor it is this lure of the impossible that keeps us moving. Our modern developments in electronics

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have given us many impossible things, such as computing machines and other devices that depend on absolute perfection. The lure of the impossible is what makes our world an interesting and challenging place in which to live. That is the reason we have space ships, satellites, 200 inch telescopes, jet planes, atomic and hydrogen power, television and automation.

The lure of the impossible is why millions of dollars are spent yearly in chemistry, physics, and biology for research. That is why men try unceasingly to run the 4 minute mile, or to pitch a perfect baseball game, or to abolish disease. It was the lure of the impossible that drove Jonas Salk to give the world the Salk vaccine; that has spared many a child and adult the ravages of polio, or which I hope and pray will also, in our time stop the ravages of cancer.

This endless pursuit of the impossible and of perfection goes on and on. Now, would it not be tragic, indeed, to have our religion and our Scottish Masonry as simple, cheap, easily obtainable goals? I have advanced far enough in Scottish Masonry to believe with all my heart that our human spirit would die, shrivel up, and decay, unless it was lured upward and onward by the impossible. The whole of Free-Masonry can never be encompassed in just three Degrees, there must be more, and there is more. Its lights and principles must forever lure us on because it is far too big, too noble, too lofty, and too inspiring to be clearly and easily obtained and understood by the rank and file of all men.

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C. FRED KLEINKNECHT, JR., 33°
GRAND SECRETARY GENERAL

At the October meeting of the Southern Supreme Council, Brother C. Fred Kleinknecht, Jr. was made an active member of the Supreme Council and elected the Grand Secretary General.

Brother Kleinknecht is well known to the Sovereign Grand Inspectors General, Deputies, and most leaders of our vast jurisdiction. Born in Washington, D. C. on February 14, 1924, he received his education in the public schools in the District of Columbia and subsequently in Benjamin Franklin University of Washington, D. C., majoring in accounting and economics.

He is a Veteran of World War II, having served in the U. S. Navy.

Brother Kleinknecht is a member of Silver Spring Lodge No. 215, A.F. & A.M., in Silver Spring, Maryland, and of the Baltimore Scottish Rite Bodies. He was honored with the rank and decoration of Knight Commander of the Court of Honour in 1955 and Coroneted an Inspector General Honorary of the Thirty-Third Degree in 1959. He is also a member of Boumi Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.

Brother Kleinknecht is a communicant of the Evangelical Reform Church and a Sunday School teacher. He is married to the former Miss Gene E. Kamm, and they have four children.

The New Bern Scottish Rite Bodies wish Brother Kleinknecht every success in his new position and predict that he will serve with great satisfaction to himself and great honor to the fraternity.

AMERICANISM CLASS

The class of candidates who will participate in the forthcoming Reunion has been designated by the Executive Committee as the "AMERICANISM CLASS". This is in keeping with the emphasis placed upon this needed virtue by the Grand Commander in the program he is presenting and which is also supported and projected in a splendid manner by our Sovereign Grand Inspector General. It represents a departure from the system of naming classes as observed heretofore but it is a departure in line with the fundamental principles of sound government and good citizenship as expounded by our Supreme Council.

HATTERAS ISLAND SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

As an evidence of increased interest in Scottish Rite Masonry throughout the jurisdiction, a new Scottish Rite Club has been formed in the Hatteras area. For a number of years this area has furnished some outstanding Scottish Rite Masons and they have developed quite a bit of interest, but this interest had not made itself felt in an organized form. Some of the leading Brethren decided that the time had come when they should cement the tire of Scottish Rite relationship among the Brethren in their area by organizing themselves into a club. This has now been done and the following officers have been elected to serve:

President, George R. Fuller, 32°
Vice-President, Loran Midgett, 32°
Secretary-Treasurer, Donald Oden, 32°

Work is now beginning on a set of By-Laws under which the Club proposes to operate. Needless to say, the Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of New Bern are exceedingly proud of this new off-spring and they are looking forward to the opportunity of witnessing increased enthusiasm in the Scottish Rite as a result.

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A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Budget Committee in its preparation of an operating budget for the ensuing year has realized the impossibility of meeting the constantly increasing financial demands made upon the Consistory unless there is an increase of the amount of income available to meet these demands; and,

WHEREAS, the Consistory actually for several years has found itself operating on what might be termed a "Deficit Budget" which has been constantly increasing and,

WHEREAS, the demands being made upon the Consistory to meet adequately its current and future needs now necessitates an increase in the amount of anticipated income;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the New Bern Scottish Rite Bodies in regular business session Monday night Feb. 12, 1968 that the total amount of the four Bodies in the Valley of New Bern be increased from $10.00 to $15.00 per year, the increase to become effective Jan. 1, 1969 and that to implement this resolution and to distribute the proposed total amount of dues among the four Bodies, amendments to the By-Laws are herewith proposed:

FIRST: Section 2 of Article IV By-Laws New Bern Lodge of Perfection No. 6 shall be deleted in its entirety and in lieu thereof there shall be substituted the following:

"The dues shall be six dollars ($6.00) per annum for all members payable in advance and subject to an amendment of the By-Laws."

SECOND: Section 2 of Article IV By-Laws New Bern Chapter Knights Rose Croix No. 5 shall be deleted in its entirety and in lieu thereof there shall be substituted the following:

"The dues shall be three dollars ($3.00) per annum, payable in advance and subject to an amendment of the By-Laws."

THIRD: Section 1 of Article IV By-Laws New Bern Council Knights Kadosh No. 4 shall be deleted in its entirety and in lieu thereof there shall be substituted the following:

The dues shall be three dollars ($3.00) per annum, payable in advance and subject to an amendment of the By-Laws."

FOURTH: Section 2 of Article IV By-Laws New Bern Consistory No. 3 shall be deleted in its entirety and in lieu thereof there shall be substituted the following:

"The dues shall be three dollars ($3.00) per annum, payable in advance and subject to an amendment of the By-Laws."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution, after being read at a stated communication shall be laid over until the next stated meeting for action; notice of which, setting forth the proposed amendments shall be published in the Bagpipe, the official organ of the Bodies and mailed to each member.

N'AYE FORR-GET THESE DATES

MARCH 2 —
Ocracoke Island Ladies' Night Party

MARCH 8 —
Washington Ladies' Night Party

MARCH 13 —
Williamston Ladies' Night Party

MARCH 15 —
Hertford Ladies' Night Party

MARCH 16 —
Onslow Lejeune Ladies' Night Party

MARCH 17 —
New Bern Appreciation Night Party

MARCH 20 —
Fort Bragg Ladies' Night Party

MARCH 21 —
Cherry Point - Havelock Ladies' Night Party

MARCH 23 —
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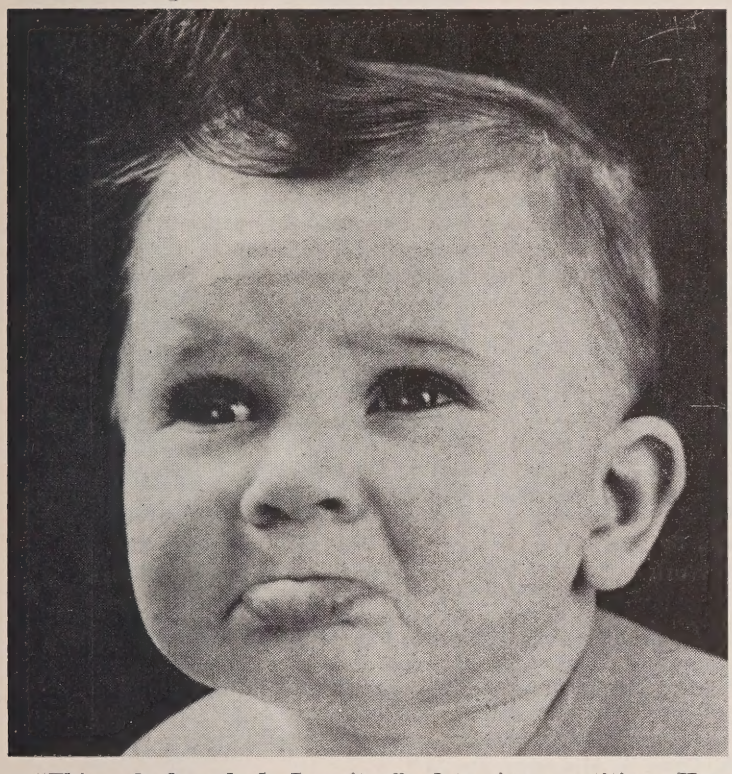
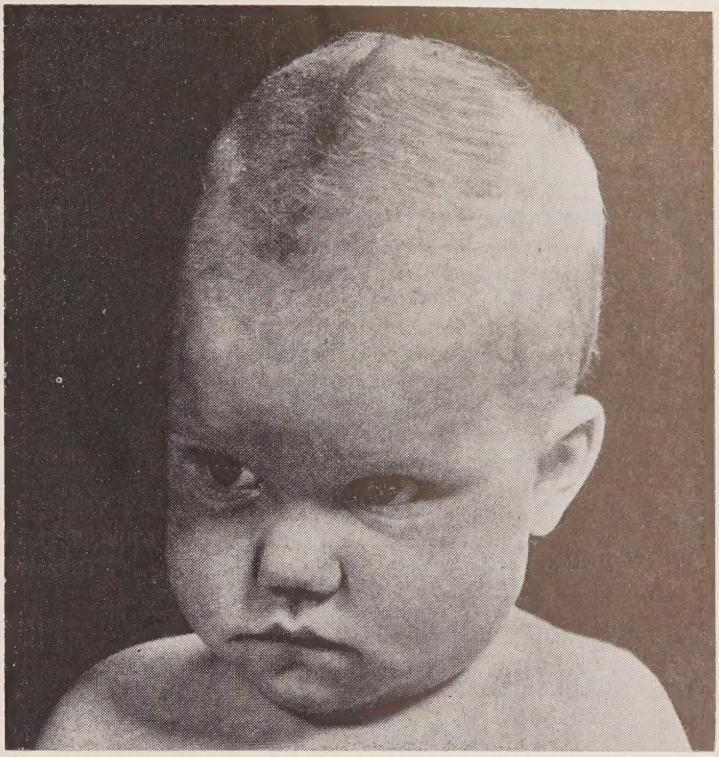


"Things look so bad. I can't afford to sign a petition. How in the world will I pay for it?"

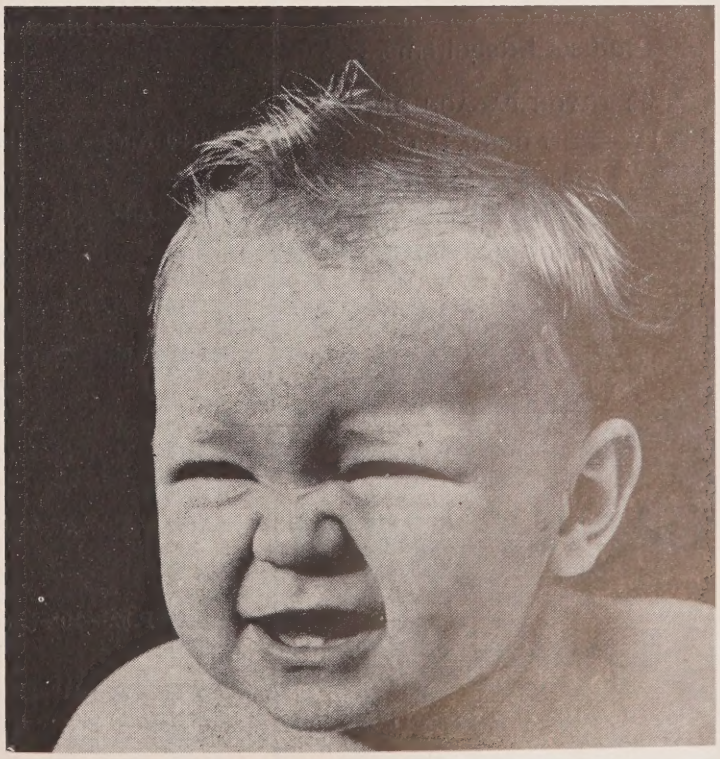


"But wait a minute. There just might be a way out of it. Maybe I should think it over for a year or two."

SPRING REUNION — April 2, 3, 4, 1968

Get That Candidate NOW!!

"Now my Scottish Rite friends have stirred me up and I don't like to be disturbed — I want the degrees, but I'm not sure . . . ."



"Enough of these excuses! I'll sign the petition now. Where's my faith anyhow?"

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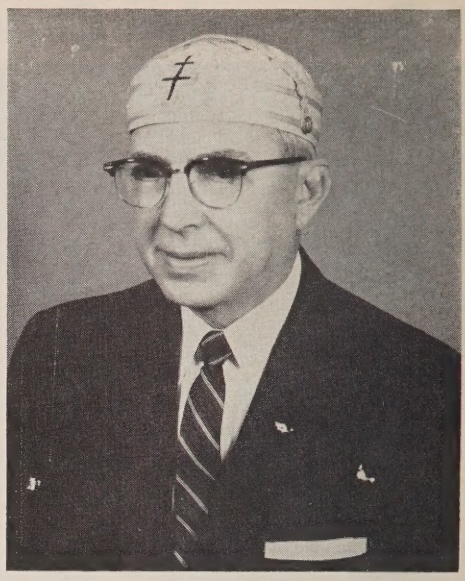

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PROGRAM SCOTTISH RITE REUNION

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Director of Dining Room, Paul V. Vogan, 32°, K.C.C.H.
Asst. Director of Dining Room, Marvin D. Wilson, 32°, K.C.C.H.

REUNION ACTIVITIES
Tuesday, April 2, 1968

10:00 A.M.— 4°—Secret Master. Charles T. Potter, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by J. E. Lewis, Nat M. Baxter, H. L. Lundy, Ray Chadwick, M. D. Opphile.

10:45 A.M.— 5°—Perfect Master. Ben F. Gillikin, 33°, Master of Degree. Assisted by C. W. Guptil, J. G. McDaniel, Albert Gianotti, Dewey Gillikin, L. T. Barrington, H. L. Lundy, J. E. Blaylock, Paul V. Vogan, Ira Stephens, J. F. Payne, Andrew Murphey, W. E. Gardner.

11:45 A.M.— 6°—Confidential Secretary. Charles R. Gray, 33°, Master of Degree. Assisted by Chas. P. Gaskins, W. J. Rogers, Paul Jewett.

12:15 P.M.— 7°—Provost and Judge. W. I. Gause, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by L. Guy Matthis, Leslie L. Parker, M. D. Opphile, R. L. Pugh, Nat Baxter.

1:00 P.M. —Luncheon.

2:15 P.M.— 8°—Intendant of Building. Earl Noe, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by Neal Windley, Charles R. Davis, C. F. Lewis, S. C. Chadwick, Jr., Leonard Daniels, Tommie Avery.

3:00 P.M.— 9°—Elu of Nine. W. C. Moore, 33°, Master of Degree. Assisted by Paul Vogan, L. Guy Matthis, M. D. Opphile, Tom Brown, B. F. Gillikin, H. J. MacDonald, H. W. Gillikin, Guy Langston, L. T. Barrington, C. T. Potter, Neil Vester.

4:00 P.M.—10°—Elu of Fifteen. John A. Johnson, 32°, Master of Degree. Assisted by Bill Blair, Neil Vester, Miller Basnight, J. L. Ashley, A. F. Wood, Lester Hart.

4:45 P.M.—11°—Elu of Twelve. Charles H. Whedbee, 32°, Master of Degree. Assisted by J. W. H. Roberts, Paul Jewett, Clyde Stubbs, Owen Lemmon, Neil Vester, Miller Basnight.

12°—Communicated.

5:45 P.M.—13°—Royal Arch of Solomon. E. P. Blair, 33°, Master of Degree. Assisted by Richard H. Lucas, Jack G. White, Raymond Leggett, Oscar Brock, Bill Blair.

Program Scottish Rite Reunion (Cont.)

6:30 P.M. —Dinner.

7:30 P.M.—14°—Perfect Elu. Louis N. Howard, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by B. F. Gillikin, Nelson Banks, O. H. Lemmon, C. W. Guptil, James E. Blaylock, W. E. Gardner, Andrew Murphy, Howard B. Constant, John A. Sawyer, Jr.

Wednesday, April 3, 1968

9:15 A.M.—15°—Knight of the East, G. C. Langston, 33°, Master of Degree. Assisted by A. T. Willis, Jr., Raymond Leggett, Chas. T. Potter, O. J. Aldridge, C. Wallace Jackson, N. M. Baxter, John R. Baughm.

16°—Communicated.

11:15 A.M.—17°—Knight of the East and West. Nelson Banks, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by Ashley G. Leggett, Ebbie Gaylord, Harry L. Mann, Raymond Leggett, Harold Sawyer.

12:00 M. —Luncheon.

1:15 P.M.—18°—Knight of Rose Croix. Edward C. Howard, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by Owen H. Lemmon, S. A. McPherson, Jr., R. L. Pugh, Albert Gianotti, Eddie Paul, Jr., Albert T. Willis, Jr.

19°—Communicated.

3:30 P.M.—20°—Master of Symbolic Lodge. Thomas G. Slate, 33°, Master of Degree. Assisted by D. L. McRainey, William C. Hammond, Jr., R. V. McBryde, William S. Oliver, Alex Arab, William L. Ramsey, Norris M. Vallandingham, Warren H. Coolidge.

4:45 P.M.—21°—Noachite or Prussian Knight. John G. Ormsby, 32°, Master of Degree. Assisted by Tom Brown, R. L. Pugh, Paul V. Vogan, W. H. Scott, W. L. Adams, Guy C. Langston, C. T. Potter, Oscar C. Brock, Jack Jones.

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5:30 P.M.—26°—Prince of Mercy. Reynold S. Davenport, 33°, Master of Degree. Assisted by J. C. Vail, G. E. Roberts, W. F. Thomason, Louie J. Smith, Charles W. Summerlin, Dr. P. T. Lancaster.

6:30 P.M. —Dinner.

7:30 P.M.—27°—Knight Commander of the Temple. L. Guy Matthis, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by Neil Vester, J. D. Reese, A. N. Heath, W. H. Purser, E. P. Blair, Oscar Sermons, W. R. Newell, O. J. Aldridge, A. T. Willis, Jr., Guy C. Langston, Raymond Leggett, Oscar C. Brock, W. H. Scott.

28°—Communicated.

8:45 P.M.—29°—Scottish Knight of St. Andrew. Francis W. Clark, 33°, Master of Degree. Assisted by Robert F. Spence, Clinton E. Bunch, Lindsay Barber, Samuel A. McPherson, Jr., Cosby S. Jones, Walter T. Kirby, Wilborne M. Smith, Irvin Weatherly, Tom Brown, W. T. Hawkins, L. T. Barrington, Everett Brothers, Carlice Williams.

Thursday, April 4, 1968

9:30 A.M.—30°—Knight Kadosh.

1st Apartment: Walter Kirby, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master; Assisted by Francis W. Clark.

2nd Apartment: Clifton Matthews, 32°, Master. Assisted by Cecil T. Boyette and Mark Ellis.

3rd Apartment: T. Bruce Boyette, 32°, K.C.C.H. Assisted by Alonzo Honeycutt and Wilson Scottish Rite Club.

4th Apartment: Alonzo Honeycutt, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master; Assisted by Carl Aycock.

12:00 M. —Luncheon

1:30 P.M.—31°—Inspector Inquisitor. L. T. Barrington, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by Francis W .Clark, C. Wallace Jackson, B. F. Gillikin, A. N. Heath, Charles R. Gray, O. H. Lemmon, Albert Gianotti, Eddie Paul, Jr., Chas. T. Potter, V. J. Spivey, Warren H. Coolidge, Robert F. Spence, W. C. Hammond.

3:30 P.M.—32°—Master of Royal Secret. Wm. R. Leggett, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Degree. Assisted by Leslie L. Parker, Jack Jones, Walter Kirby, Robert F. Spence, Wallace Jackson, Lee Dorsey, Kirby Hawkins, Jimmy Rochelle, Johnnie Braxton, Oscar C. Brock, Francis W. Clark, Chas. R. Gray, C. E. Bunch, W. M. Smith, A. C. Walters, H. F. Griffin, O. H. Lemmon, W. J. Bundy, R. L. Pugh, Fred Woodruff, R. D. Shinkle.

5:45 P.M. —Banquet closing Reunion.

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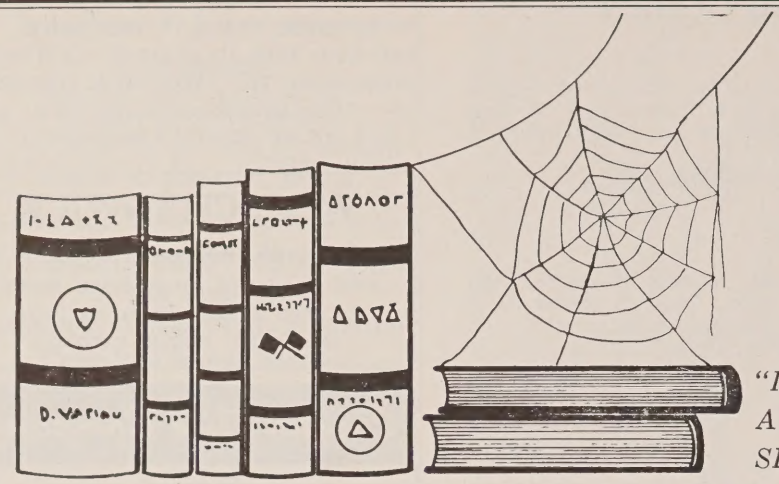

TEMPLE TOMES

"IT IS THE GLORY OF GOD TO CONCEAL A THING: but the honor OF KINGS IS TO SEARCH OUT A MATTER." (*Prov.* 25:2)

In the Sixteenth degree (Prince of Jerusalem) of Scottish Rite Masonry we have the "Decree of Darius" concerning the rebuilding of the Temple at Jerusalem. " . . . and they builded it, and finished it, according to the commandment of the God of Israel and according to the commandment of Cyrus, and Darius, and Artaxerxes (Longimanus), King of Persia." (B. C. 465-25) (Ez. 6; 1-22)

The father of Artaxerxes was Xerxes, husband of Esther (Venus) whose Persian name was Hadassah.

From the Book of Esther we learn of the Feast of Esther (Purim) which comes this year on March fourteenth, and which feast we hope to share with our Jewish brethren.

Among the Feasts of Israel Purim holds such a favored position. According to some of the Rabbis, "when Messiah shall come, all the feasts will become redundant, but Purim shall never cease."

Every year, during the Feast of Purim the story of Esther is read with glee in the Synagogues (Greek, "to teach together"). Mordecai's name is cheered and Haman's greeted with the stamping of feet, with derisive booing, and the grinding sound of special noise makers. Private and public merriment is in order. Gifts are sent to friends and to the poor, in a joyful reenactment of the first Purim, commemorating the deliverance of the Jews from the hands of their enemies, Haman and his henchmen.

The setting of the story is in ancient Persia at the peak of her power and glory. Some years have passed since Cyrus in 538 B. C. permitted the Jews to return from Babylon to the Holy Land, under the leadership of Zerubbabel (Ezra, chapters 1-6).

Those Jews who stayed behind in Babylon chose to live comfortably in dispersion rather than face the hardships of pioneering in their devastated homeland. Among those who decided to remain in exile we find Mordecai and Esther. Upon the throne of the Persian Empire, stretching over 127 provinces, sits Xerxes (486-465 B. C.), a mighty

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APRIL 2, 3 and 4, 1968

Tuesday, April 2nd

9:00 A. M. to
11:30 A.M. Register in Scottish Rite Temple, Hancock and Johnson Streets, New Bern, N. C.
12:30 P.M. Lunch—Scottish Rite Temple
2:00 P.M. Tour of Cherry Point—World's Largest Marine Air Base or Tour of Morehead City, Atlantic Beach, Beaufort, Fort Macon, Emerald Isle and Swansboro (quaint fishing village with colonial atmosphere).
6:00 P.M. Dinner at Scottish Rite Temple
7:30 P.M. Theatre Party, Masonic Theatre

Wednesday, April 3rd

9:30 A.M. Tour of Tryon's Palace and its formal 18th Century Gardens
12:30 P.M. Lunch—Scottish Rite Temple
2:00 P.M. Tour of New Bern's famous 67 points of historic interest
6:00 P.M. Dinner at Temple

Thursday, April 4th

8:30 A.M. Tour of Camp Lejeune
1:00 P.M. Lunch—Jacksonville, N. C.
3:00 P.M. Theatre Party, Masonic Theatre
6:00 P.M. Dinner at Temple

ruler of nations, but a weak character. His decisions are often engineered by sycophantic courtiers and intriguing politicians. The Jewish rabbies are fond of calling Ahasuerus, "a fool of a king," probably not without cause.

Yet behind the vacillation and the follies of a king, behind intrigues and political maneuvers of the royal court, there is God working out His eternal plans. It is fascinating to watch the divine hand behind the "perfectly natural" coincidences, weaving an intricate fabric to shield and to protect God's people.

Haman, the evil spirit of the drama, is a descendant of Amalek, the eternal enemy of Israel, whom God commanded them to destroy utterly (Exodus 17:16). It was Saul, the first king of Israel, who disobeyed God and saved Haman's ancestors, thus bringing upon the children of Israel the dire peril of Haman. But watch the artistry of the divine providence choosing Mordecai of the same tribe and family as Saul, to repair the damage. For with the annihilation of Haman and his sons, the divine verdict to destroy Amalek has been carried out.

But Haman the prime minister and majordomo of Ahasuerus does not know these things. This vain-glorious politician obsessed with Jew hatred is tightening the noose around his neck without realizing it, for whom God would punish He first deprives of his reason.

The King and Haman sat down to have a drink of Babylon Brandy, vintage 492 B. C. (that was a good vintage year.) Haman got "His Nibbs" mellowed-up and offered him ten thousand talents (or 50 million U. S. dollars) of the king's own money for a free hand with the Jews. The king looked at him through the glass bottom of his own flagon and generously offered Haman the whole "kit-and-kaboodle" for nothing.

However, they hadn't stopped to consider the queen, Esther first lady of the great Persian empire, elevated from a humble Jewish maiden to the position of queen, by the strange workings of God's design.

Esher and Mordecai show indications of trying hard to obliterate their Jewish background. Their very presence in Persia suggests that they had chosen the comfort of Persia rather than the hardships of the Holy Land.

Significantly, their names are not Jewish, but rather of Babylonian origin. The name "Mordecai" is believed to be a variant of "Merodach" the name of the patron deity of Babylon, mentioned in Jeremiah 50:2. And Esther is strangely reminiscent of the Babylonian goddess Ishtar or Astarte. The effort to assimilate themselves to their environment has often been repeated in Jewish history. In speech, manner, dress and by their very names, the Jews have often sought to take on the coloring of the people among whom they lived, but in the final analysis with little avail. When the hour struck God always sent the Hamans and the Hitlers to remind them through blood and through tears of their origin and of their destiny.

There may have been much antagonism against the Jews in the Persian Empire at the time, for Esther's close relative and adoptive father, Mordecai, found it necessary to advise her not to betray her Jewish nationality to the king or to the court. Latent anti-Semitism probably was deepseated among the people of the Persian Empire, so that Haman found a ready and even eager audience for his Jew-hatred.

We watch Haman basking in the honors bestowed upon him by his lord and master, Ahasuerus, and gleefully anticipates honors yet to come. But the fly in the ointment is Mordecai, the Jew, the obstinate Jew with the unbending knee. And Mordecai became Haman's obsession.

We only have to read the book of Esther to get the details of the whole story, and reading it, we can look forward to this feast day which was instituted by Esther and Mordecai "Wherefore they called these days Purim, after the name Pur" — For the idolatrous and superstitious Haman decided to find out which would be the propitious day to destroy the Jews so he cast lots

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("shot the dice"). The lot fell on the 13th day of Adar, the twelfth month of God's calendar.

And so the day of destruction and appointed defeat turned into a day of deliverance for the Jews. In the last analysis, their victory is the victory of God over Satan, the victory of prayer, fasting, and faith over pagan wrath and blind hatred. It is the victory of the Providence and lovingkindness of Jehovah, who neither sleeps nor slumbers.

So, when we are again working in the sixteenth degree — rebuilding the Temple, let's remember the joys of the feast of Purim; and those delightful "Haman Hats" (cookies, or tarts) our Jewish brethren shared with us.

Tom McCrea

UNSELFISH SERVICE RECOGNIZED

Because Lodges and many other organizations as well do not always recognize the unselfish labors and efforts of some of its members, it is thought that you would be interested in reading the two letters which appear in this article. Brother Luby Hardison, 32°, K.C.C.H., a member of Grantham Lodge No. 725, A.F. & A.M., for many years has given many hours of his time, most unselfishly, toward making Grantham Lodge's Fish Fries, Barbecues, etc. such a tremendous success. Revenues from these feasts are donated to the Masonic & Eastern Star Home and the Oxford Orphanage. Recently Grantham Lodge gave appropriate well deserved recognition to the efforts of Brother Hardison in this capacity as you will note in the letters received from the two institutions. Surely other lodges and organizations would do well to keep such unselfish efforts in mind as they plan their campaigns.

December 12, 1967

Mr. Lloyd G. Brinson, Sec.
Grantham Lodge No. 725
P. O. Box 375
New Bern, N. C. 28560

Dear Brother Brinson:

With extreme joy we receive the very wonderful gift of $538.97. We feel a very special spiritual joy in inscribing this as the Luby G. Hardison Fund of Grantham Lodge No. 725.

We all know, but find inadequacy to express, the meaning of Luby Hardison to each of us. This special tribute to our beloved brother brings a most abiding spiritual experience that will inspire us to greater dedication in the task of our lives.

We know you will rejoice with us that we are nearing completion of two cottages which we hope to move into shortly after the turn of the year. When we move in, this will give us 180 children in fireproof protection.

Please express our appreciation to all the members and friends who made this marvelous gift possible.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
OXFORD ORPHANAGE
A. D. Leon Gray,
Superintendent

December 8, 1967

Mr. Lloyd G. Brinson, Secretary
Grantham Lodge No. 725, A.F. & A.M.
P. O. Box 375
New Bern, N. C. 28560

Dear Brethren:

This is to acknowledge the receipt of your generous contribution in the amount of $1,000.00 being made this year in honor of Brother Luby G. Hardison. We are aware of the tireless effort on Brother Hardison's part to further the cause of Masonry as well as increasing support through the Lodge for both our Oxford Orphanage and our Home.

Because of such generosity and since you have made special mention of Brother Hardison, you may be assured that recognition will be made known to our Board of Directors.

Let me use the means of this letter to extend to you all a very Happy Christmas season and with all good wishes, I am

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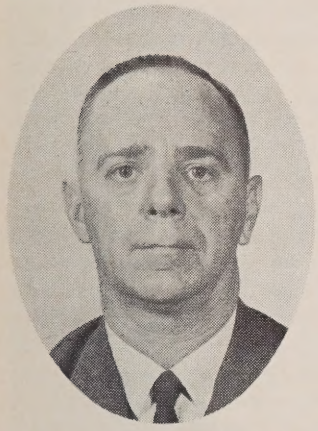

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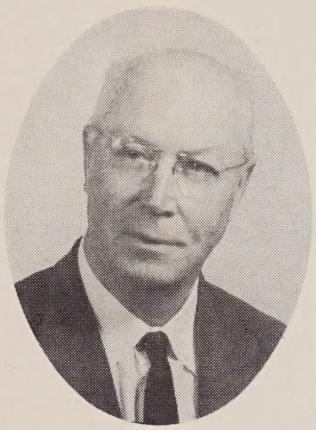

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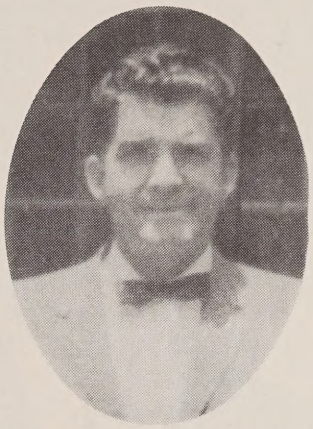

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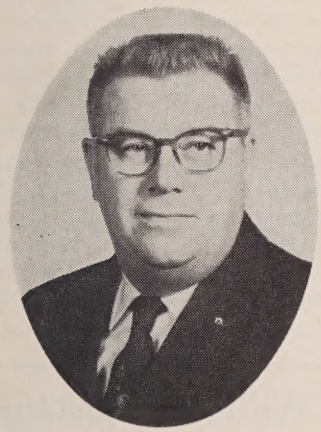

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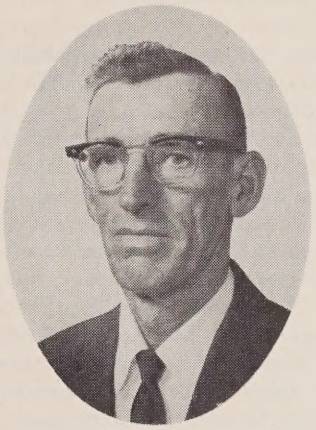

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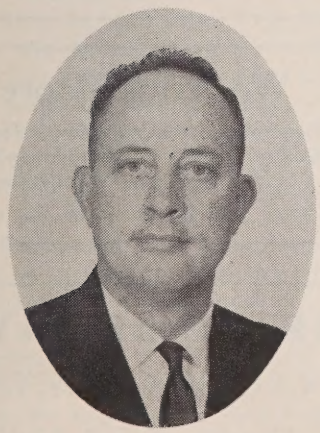

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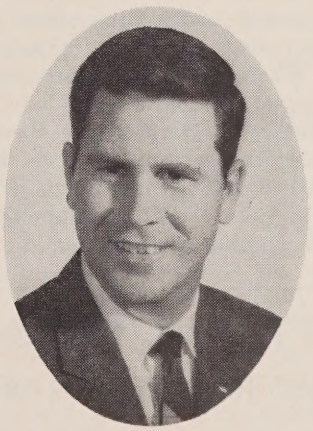

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DOWN ONSLOW WAY

By Reynold Davenport, 33°

We have voiced several times in this space our opinion that the Onslow-Lejeune Scottish Rite Club has never quite lived up to its potential. This circumstance certainly cannot be assessed against the officers of the club, past or present, as we have over the years been blessed with a succession of officers who have been dedicated, hard-working Masons.

Perhaps no other Mason has worked harder to stimulate interest in the club than did last year's president, Frank Smith. Brother Frank used every trick he could think of to bring the brethren out to our meetings, and the increased attendance during 1967 proved the worth of his efforts. This year's president, Maynard Dean, has already demonstrated his intention to keep the club growing and moving. He has scheduled meetings for 1968 in every area of the county and his first meeting, held in the Richlands area, was well attended.

These brethren cannot, single-handedly, do it all. They need and deserve the support of every Scottish Rite Mason in Onslow-Lejeune. If we support the club with our attendance and our efforts we can make the Rite an even stronger force in our community. And it would be difficult to recall a time when the communities of our nation were in greater need of men who will stand up for those principles to which Scottish Rite Masonry is dedicated.

Meetings of the club are really enjoyable affairs, and the Scottish Rite Mason who neglects to attend them not only deprives himself of opportunities for genuine fellowship, he also passes up opportunities to entertain his wife and to share his Masonry with her. The ladies are not merely invited to all of our meetings, they are strongly URGED to attend them.

We assemble six times annually. Dinner is dutch. Meetings are informally conducted, leaving ample opportunity for across-the-table fellowship. Old friendships are renewed and new ones formed. We formulate plans for the reunions and discuss further means of promoting Scottish Masonry. Out of our meetings has already come Scottish Rite sponsorship of the "Teacher Appreciation Day" held for Onslow-Lejeune teachers in 1966 and in 1967. This event alone has revealed the aims of Scottish Masonry to many who previously barely knew of its existence.

We have a wonderful brotherhood. If we will join hands in efforts to bring more Masons into our fraternity, and in efforts to make the principles of Scottish Masonry really come alive in Onslow-Lejeune, then we will surely accomplish much for our fraternity, our community, and our nation.

So we urge each Scottish Rite Mason in Onslow-Lejeune to join this club and support it. You will enjoy it, your wife will enjoy it, and Scottish Masonry will be enriched by your participation.

REYNOLD DAVENPORT, 33°
Jacksonville, N. C.

"FROM UP THE NEUSE"

By John D. Charlton, 32°

As I watch the television news broadcasts each night tears stream down my face and I pray to Almighty God that another man will not fall dying before my eyes. I do not know whether my prayers help or not, but I cannot stop praying and I must not lose faith that democracy and Christianity are right for the world. These men are far away from us and it is easy for many to say they shouldn't be in Vietnam, but what is the real issue? Almost half of the world's population is waiting to see who will come to them first — Christianity backed by democracy or atheism backed by communism. This seems to me to be the real issue and the real justification for our sons, fathers, and yes, Masonic Brothers to be dying for us in a far away land. As long as people anywhere will listen to the Christian message and desire a democracy to live it in we must assist them — even to death. Christianity and communist inspired atheism cannot coexist. This has been revealed in recent days by the communist slaughter of American missionaries in Vietnam who had taken love and care to a people who were unloved and could not care for themselves.

Within this great land of ours there are many who would lead you to believe that the practice of patriotism and

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Christian principles are no longer necessary and out of date for living in today's world. They are the very persons who are setting up America for an atheistic-communist takeover. From my observations many Masons are, inadvertently I am sure, aiding them in their plan to reduce the morality, patriotism, and faith in God of America to a nothingness that will destroy us and relegate us to slavery. At public gatherings and athletic events I see men and Masons, who I know laid their lives on the line in World War I and/or II, who do not bow in reverence when prayer is given, nor stand at attention with pride in their faces as "Old Glory" rides rippling in the breeze while the "Star Spangled Banner" rings out. They stand talking, laughing, smoking, and allow their children to do the same or run about while this moment of devotion is being carried out, to ever remind us that only because of that flag, that anthem, and the grace of God are we privileged to be in that place at that time. My brothers in Scottish Masonry, all Masonry, let us resolve never again to allow ourselves to forget the debt we owe to our God and to those who have died that we might live. Teach your children this truth — only when you do so can you be sure it will be done.

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ALBERT PIKE SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

The "Albert Pike Scottish Rite Club" held their regular meeting Monday night Jan. 15, 1968 at "Hub's Reck" Belhaven, N. C. A delicious seafood dinner was enjoyed by the attending members and their wives.

Those attending were the following: G. R. Leggett, Sr., President, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bickerstaff, W. C. Chesson, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Ragland, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gardner, Philip Swinson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Styons, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lucas, Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Harriss, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Manning, Mr. and Mrs. Putt Landing.

Our next meeting will be Feb. 19, 1968.

The tendency of every government, large or small, is to seize every opportunity to enlarge and expand its power. It never gets enough, and if not restrained it will in due time, become absolute, consolidate all power in itself, and then it will rule through a dictator by whatever name he may be identified. Freedom will be destroyed and the people become wards or slaves of big government. They will have lost their independence.

The menace of Big Government has grown and mushroomed under all of the recent administrations beginning with FDR and now has moved into that of Mr. Johnson.

The last and only hope, it seems, of halting this wild plunge toward oblivion for our beloved Republic, is a massive uprising of the people.

Who could better give the alarm and sound the bell of warning than the Scottish Rite Masons of the Southern Jurisdiction? My Brethren, let us be counted among those responsible citizens who dare to do more than just talk and complain about our country's problems. Let us do something about them!

We need to instill a love of country in the hearts of young Americans—that they are heirs of a great tradition of liberty and that if it is to remain meaningful it must be won anew each day. Patriotism is not old-fashioned. Being proud of country and flag is the natural response of concerned and intelligent citizens.

We need to encourage our young generation to understand fully that obedience to law is the heart of democratic society. If a person disobeys a law just because he doesn't like it, or feels it is wrong, this can only bring chaos. Our free society contains constitutional processes whereby laws can be changed. Unilateral disobedience is wrong.

We have young people today who take great delight in desecrating the American flag, mocking American heroes, and disparaging American history. They contemptuously hiss and boo officials of our government and show scornful disdain for opinions with which they disagree, they are extremely totalitarian, intolerant, and opinionated in nature. They urge resistance to the draft, even on occasions try to interfere physically with the legitimate activities of armed-services personnel on college campuses present for the purpose of recruiting. They burn or mutilate draft cards, endeavor to dictate to university administrative officials how these institutions should be run.

In this spirit of nihilism, these young people manifest a nauseating air of self-righteousness, as if it alone knows how to solve the problems of twentieth-century society and alone can be trusted to carry out these solutions. There is almost a hysterical repudiation of the older generation.

What does all this mean? That there are young people who disagree with society, who are willing to protest and make their views known—this is all to the good. America needs a questioning generation. It needs young people who

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will speak up frankly and firmly. The spirit of protest and dissent is inextricably interwoven in the fabric of American society. We want no silent generation. In a dangerous nuclear world, beset with uncertainty and fear, the human spirit will—and must—seek answers.

But when young people, in categorical and dogmatic terms, reject all of society, and reject it with bitterness and disdain, questions should be asked. What is their purpose? What is their vision? What is wrong?

In the book of Isaiah (5:4) is a verse which says:

"What more was there to do for my vineyard,
that I have not done in it?
When I look for it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?"

We need to know our young people better. Young people want a helping hand, love, care, and nurture. There are too many broken homes, separated families, and failures of the parent-youth relationship. Too many parents don't know their children today.

We must realize that monetary affluence (money, home, swimming pool) cannot by itself capture a child's affection. Money is too often used to bribe children, to keep them falsely happy, to simulate a parent-child relationship that doesn't exist. The irresponsible flabbiness of affluence has become a deterrent to spiritual growth.

To live fully, abundantly, and courageously, man needs God. Young people must realize that spiritual faith is the ultimate lifetime of fruitful living. God is the eternal hope. Man-made gods, like chips of wood, perish.

Wilmer C. Chesson, Secretary

BEAUFORT COUNTY SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

The Beaufort County Scottish Rite Club had their regular meeting Sunday February 4 at the Beaufort County Shrine Club Home. The meeting was held following a steak cook-out. All members report a very enjoyable time. There were only fourteen present.

President Jackson presided.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was approved.

The secretary read a letter from Brother Robert Pugh regarding delinquent members of the Consistory. Several members agreed to see if they could collect from these members and would report to the secretary as quickly as possible.

It was decided to change the hour of each meeting to six p.m. each first Sunday in the month.

There was much discussion about the upcoming Scottish Rite Party. It was decided to have the party on Friday, March 8th if that date was open and if Brother Ed Blair is available to invite him.

Brother R. L. Mohler agreed to become responsible for the March 3rd. supper.

After the meeting, there was a regular fellowship meeting and believe me there were some "tall" tales told. After about an hour of this the meeting adjourned with everyone reporting a very good time.

Ashley G. Leggett, Secretary

ELIZABETH CITY SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

The Elizabeth City Scottish Rite Club met Monday night Jan. 29th at Widow's Son Lodge No. 75, Masonic Temple, Camden, N. C.

The meeting was called to order by our President Bro. Everett Brothers.

Brother Robert F. Spence gave the invocation. The minutes of the last meeting were read for information.

The president stated this meeting had been called for the purpose of electing officers for this year, 1968.

The secretary was asked to read the names of the members the Nominating Committee had selected to be voted upon for officers for the ensuing year, as follows:

Bro. Clarence H. Davis, President
Bro. W. M. Coates, Sr., Vice-President
R. K. Hollomon, Secretary-Treasurer

A vote was taken and the ones nominated were elected unanimously. The out-going President Bro. Everett Brothers thanked all the officers and members for the support they gave him during his year as president.

The newly elected president was asked to come forward and preside.

Brother Davis asked that all officers and members work for the good of Scottish Rite Masonry in the district this year.

Bro. Francis W. Clark, 33°, was reported sick and was unable to attend the meeting.

Refreshments were served and the fellowship was wonderful!

We plan to meet again February 16th.

There were about twenty-eight members present and everyone enjoyed the meeting.

R. H. Hollomon, Secretary

OCRACOKE SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

On February 8, 1968 the Ocracoke Island Scottish Rite Club was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the President Brother Benjamin O'Neal. There were 17 members present at the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to elect a new secretary-treasurer, and to discuss and make plans for the Ladies night dinner.

Our present secretary-treasurer, Bro. Leon R. Scarborough is being transferred. The motion was made to elect Brother William P. Garrish Jr. as secretary-treasurer. This motion was seconded and approved. Also Bro. Elisha Ballance was elected to be an alternate.

It was decided that we would entertain our Ladies at the Pony Island Restaurant on March 16, 1968 at 7:00. A Roast Beef Dinner is planned.

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned by the President.

Respectfully submitted,
William P. Garrish Jr.
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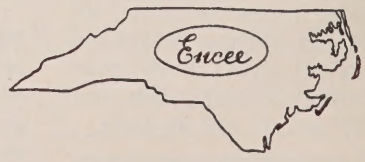

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ONSLOW-LEJEUNE SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

The Onslow-Lejeune Scottish Rite Club held a meeting on January 29, 1968 at 7:00 P.M. at the Sea King Restaurant with President Maynard A. Dean presiding.

Invocation was given by Brother Allen H. Stafford.

Brother Dean introduced our distinguished guests, Brothers Robert L. Pugh, P.G.M., 33°, Secretary, New Bern Scottish Rite Bodies and S. Frank Noble Jr., 32°, President, New Bern Scottish Rite Club.

Brother Dean announced that Brother Elwood R. Bass had been appointed secretary and treasurer, due to the resignation of Julian M. True. Brother Bass then gave the treasurer's report and read a letter from Oxford Orphanage and Masonic and Eastern Star Home thanking the club for its contributions.

A discussion was held on when and where to have the Ladies Night for the spring reunion. A planning committee composed of Brothers Maynard Dean, George Roberts, and Reynold Davenport has since announced it will be held March 9, at the Steak House Restaurant. It has also been announced that we will have as guest speaker Gen. H. Nickerson Jr., 33°, who has recently returned from Viet Nam.

After a delicious meal, Brother Reynold Davenport, 33°, introduced our speaker for the evening, Brother Robert L. Pugh, who gave a most inspiring talk which was enjoyed by all.

There were 28 members and 24 ladies present.

The 1968 dues are now due and they should be mailed to the Secretary and Treasurer, 610 Forest Grove Avenue, Jacksonville, N. C.

Brother William F. Thomason, 32°, K.C.C.H., gave the benediction and the meeting was closed.

Elwood R. Bass
Secretary-Treasurer

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CURRENT ASSETS	
Cash and Bonds (Schedule 1)	$ 94,039.30
Receivables	4,125.08
Inventory	1,921.00
Prepaid Insurance	1,607.10
	$101,692.48
CAPITAL ASSETS: (Net of Depreciation)	366,108.23
Total Assets	$467,800.71

LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED CREDITS

Payroll Taxes	$ 642.74
Accounts Payable	4,656.60
Dues Paid in Advance	22,854.00
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Float out on the listening ear,
Then all that now seems mysterious,
Will be plain and clear as the day,
And the toils of the road will seem nothing,
When we get to the end of the way.

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Claudius D. Lancaster, 32°, New Bern, N. C.	Jan. 19, 1968
Willie Henry Batchelor, 32°, Hertford, N. C.	Jan. 14, 1968
Martin Alvah Wheeler, 32°, Goilad, Texas	Feb. 7, 1968
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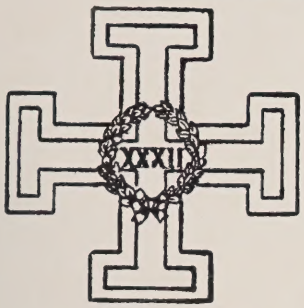

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